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Office of Minority Health Seeks Advisory Committee Members

Carson City – The Office of Minority Health (OMH) is urging applicants committed to addressing the issue of minority health in Nevada to submit their resumes with a letter of interest to Elena Espinoza, State of Nevada Office of Consumer Health Assistance, 555 E. Washington Ave., Suite 4800 Las Vegas, NV 89101 or elena.espinoza@govcha.nv.gov no later than July 15, 2012.

The OMH's mission is to improve the quality of health care services for members of minority groups; increasing access to health care services; and seeking ways to provide education to address, treat and prevent diseases and conditions that are prevalent among minority populations.

The OMH Advisory Committee currently has three vacancies amongst its nine member committee. Board members are approved and appointed by the Nevada Board of Health and should reflect the ethnic and geographical diversity of the Nevada population.

The term of each member of the Committee is two years and a member may be reappointed. Advisory Committee members meet quarterly and are asked to advise the OMH Program Manager on all matters concerning the manner in which the functions of the Office of Minority Health are being carried out.

The Nevada State Legislature created the Nevada Office of Minority Health under Nevada Revised Statutes 232.467-232.484 during the 2005 legislative session. Nevada is one of the leaders in the nation in the growth of minority populations. The OMH and its Advisory Committee are committed to addressing issues of health disparities within minority communities which have escalated in Nevada's current economic environment.

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